

The Daily Republican.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Whereas the annual conference of the *Methodist Episcopal Church* is to be held at the *Hotel Hamilton* in the city of *Decatur*, Illinois, on the *first Tuesday* of the month of *June* next.

We are authorized to announce that *WILLIAM A. BARNES* is a candidate to be voted for as a member of the Board of Education, at the election to be held on the first Tuesday in June next.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

Fresh strawberries every day at *Imboden's*.

Best sugar-cured breakfast-bacon, at *Niedermyer's*.

Go to *Novell & Hammer's* for fresh lemons and oranges.

For choice canned fruit, call on *Billy Niedermyer*.

All styles of American watches, *Seth Thomas* clocks, and fine jewelry, are sold by *H. Post* 25 per cent. below *list prices*.

The place to get your tea and coffee is at the *Western Tea Store*.

Order *Dovajing's* hack for a drive about town.

Leave orders for *Taylor's* hack at *Armstrong's* drug store.

For socks, hose, gents' furnishing goods and notions, be sure to go to *Manckey & Dodson's*. They have an immense stock and are beating the world in prices. Both auction and private sales are going on constantly, and everybody can always get what they want at half what they would have to pay elsewhere.

Why go to *Chicago* for a business education, when you can get it at the *Western Telegraph and Commercial Institute*.

Sliced ham and breakfast bacon, at *Bienz & Danversen's*.

Tickets to *Dr. Balch's* lecture can be obtained at *Curtis & Rightor's* jewelry store. They only ask 35 cents for them.

Relics of the *Indian Bluff* celebration, being much sought for just now, as features of interest for our coming centennial blow-out, "the gentleman from *Back Creek*" suggests that *Henry Churchman's* yellow cat would be a good thing to show on that occasion, provided the innocent little creature has so long survived the stroke she received from her owner on that never-to-be-forgotten day.

Cheering, *Calliver Spring* is fast passing away, and the hot summer months are near at hand. So ladies desiring to have their summer garments made, should visit the rooms of *Mrs. C. J. Dawkins*, No. 10 Merchant street, 2d floor, right hand side, and consult the taste of the ladies now in charge of her apartments, as to styles most appropriate for them.

Attention!—All veteran soldiers desiring to join the military company, re-organized for the purpose of participating in the celebration of the 4th of July, are requested to leave their names with the orderly sergeant, at the office of *Benes & Tibbets*, No. 19 North Water street.

Abel & Locke, the enterprising carpenter and house ornamenting and furnishing merchants, on East Main street, are noted for adapting their goods to the season, and also for getting any new styles as soon as they are on the market. Their stock is now very full, and the most fashionable cannot fail to suit themselves. Call and see them.

Petition for *Awning*.—We understand that it is the intention of *Mr. Liddle*, whose fitting up the large stores in court house block, to petition the city council for the privilege of putting permanent iron awnings in front of the rooms he is to occupy, covering the entire width of the sidewalk. We see no reason why such a petition should not be granted as it would discommode no person, and would contribute to the comfort of persons passing on that walk in the afternoon. It would also protect the stores from the hot sun in the afternoon, making them much more comfortable than they would otherwise be. Such an awning would also be a benefit in winter by protecting the walk from storms.

For Rent—A good house and five acres of ground, just north of the city limits. Apply to *WARREN & DUFFEE*, Agents. May 31 d&wt

Popular Lecturer, popular subject, and a popular price, is just what can be said regarding the lecture by *Dr. Balch*, next Monday evening, at the *Universalist Chapel*. Subject, "Ruined Cities and their Lessons." Admission 35 cts.

Ladies' White Underwear, handsomely made up and sold at jobbing prices, at *Goldburg's*, No. 8 Merchant street. May 23-d&wtw

DECORATION DAY.

Elaborate Preparations at the Cemetery.

A MAGNIFICENT PROCESSION.

Large Military Escort.

Societies and Associations in Lane—Interesting Programme for the Ground Well Carried Out—Charming Music—Eloquent Orations—Immense Crowd in Attendance, &c., &c.

Yesterday was a great day in Decatur. For several weeks preparations for the ceremonies of Decoration Day had been going on, and as this is the one hundredth year of our national existence, it was thought that more elaborate preparations should be made for the observance of the occasion than ever before.

In pursuance of this general feeling, committees were appointed at an early day, since which time the work of preparation has been going forward, which culminated yesterday in one of the most imposing displays ever witnessed in our city.

The committee on decorating the grounds, were *W. L. Bramble* and *L. D. Jennings*, and on account of the latter being occupied with official duties, the superintendence and execution of the work fell mainly upon *Mr. Bramble*, who showed himself to be the right man in the right place. *Mr. B.* was assisted in his work by *Mr. W. J. Quinlan*, chairman of the second ward committee, who rendered most efficient service, and by *Mr. Wayne*, of the first ward, who was also uniting in the good work.

The ample stand for the speaker and music was spanned by a beautiful arch, bearing the motto, "We honor our heroic dead," and otherwise decorated and festooned with flowers and national flags, evincing the rare skill of *Mr. Bramble* in that line, as did also the arches at the soldiers' graves and their festoonings.

At the south end of the row of graves, just north of the speaker's stand, was an arch bearing the motto, "In Memoriam," and at the head of each grave was an arch, in which was arranged a hoop, upon which a wreath of flowers was hung, by the corps of girls detailed for strewing flowers. At the foot of each grave was a smaller arch, with a festooned hoop, in each of which was set a bouquet of flowers. These arrangements, with others which we have not room to detail, constituted the preparation of the ground for the solemn ceremonies of the day.

Leaving the city of the dead thus beautifully prepared, we return to the city, where as early as 1 o'clock people were hurrying to and fro, making ready for the grand procession.

The tap of the bell called our gallant firemen to quarters, and the other societies and associations which were to participate met at their respective places of rendezvous, and prepared to "fall in." Chief marshal *H. B. Durfee*, and his assistant, *Geo. W. Baker, Esq.*, were busy in giving orders to the commanders of the different companies that were to form in line, while the tap of the drum brought the company of veterans that was to form the military escort for the day to their headquarters at firemen's hall.

Before two o'clock the *Irish Benevolent* society was in position in front of *Marble Hall* on Water street, and soon after the other companies and associations came into line, and were placed in position by the marshal. At half past two, the hour set for the procession to move, everything was ready and the grand battalion took up its line of march for the cemetery in the following order: *Decatur Band*, then which a finer music corps is not to be found anywhere, the *Knights of Pythias*, *St. Patrick's* Total Abstinence Society, *Irish Benevolent* Society, *German Turn Verein*, *Decatur Fire Department*, *Band of martial music*, company of veterans fully uniformed and equipped; one hundred school girls in white, with flowers, escorted by the *Knights Templars* in full uniform, with citizens on foot and in carriages to bring up the rear.

It is no exaggeration to say that the procession thus constituted was the finest in appearance that ever filed through the streets of Decatur. The line of march from town to the cemetery was flanked by crowds of spectators, while thousands already awaited the arrival of the procession in the grounds. Upon arrival at the cemetery gate, the front of the procession opened right and left while the company of girls and their escort filed through the several companies closing in on order. The several companies were disposed in order around the speaker's stand, when the exercises commenced, which were as follows:

Music by Band.
Singing by the choir, composed of *D. L. Bunn*, *G. F. Wessels*, *Benton Blackstone*, *Misses Mary Gruendike*, *Annie Jack* and *Annie Powers*.—Of both instrumental and vocal music it may be truly said it was superb.

An eloquent and earnest prayer was then offered by *Rev. Stephen H. Granberry*, Rector of *St. John's* church in this city.

Following the prayer *Master Sherry Tupper*, a son of *Col. Nathan W. Tupper*, who died in the service and whose remains lie buried here, gave a recitation appropriate to the occasion, which he did in a very impressive manner, bringing tears to many eyes.

The band then played another piece, followed by a song from the quartette,

when the chief marshal introduced *Hon. A. B. Bunn* as the orator of the day, who proceeded to address the crowd in an earnest and eloquent manner. Going back a hundred years, the speaker paid a glowing tribute to the memory of our fathers, recounting their patriotic and heroic deeds in severing their connection with the mother country, declaring and maintaining their independence.—The second war with England was alluded to in fitting terms, as was also the war with Mexico. Coming down to the war of the rebellion, the orator paid a glowing tribute to the valor and patriotism of our brave boys who left their homes to defend their government, and by their prowess and heroism turned back the rebel hordes and preserved the nation intact to celebrate its one hundredth anniversary.

The address, which occupied something more than a half hour, was appropriate in sentiment, and was eloquently delivered. At the conclusion of the address came the ceremony of strewing the flowers, which was done by one hundred school girls led by *Prof. Gastman* and their teachers, preceded by a military escort, *Mr. W. H. Bramble* acting as guide to point out the graves, of which there were about sixty.

This beautiful ceremony over, the companies forming the procession gathered about the stand when the large crowd joined in singing "America."

The executive committee, through the marshal, tendered their thanks to the different organizations who had done so much to contribute to the interest of the occasion. Several calls were made for *General Moore*, but as that gentleman did not respond, the benediction was pronounced by *Elder N. S. Haynes*, and the vast concourse of people gradually dispersed. The procession then reformed and marched up town in the same order as was observed in going to the ground. Upon arriving on Water street where the battalion formed at first, the different societies repaired to their respective headquarters.

It would give us pleasure and would doubtless be of interest to our readers could we give a complete list of the soldiers buried here. We made an attempt in that direction but found it impossible to obtain anything like a correct list.—We give below a few whose names we have secured.

Col. I. C. Pugh, 41st Ill.
Adj. L. R. Pugh, 41st Ill.
Lieut. Col. Ansel Tupper, 41st Ill., killed at *Shiloh*.
Capt. Samuel Woodward, 41st Ill.
Capt. Willis Oglesby,
James Haggard, Co. A, 8th Ill., killed at *Fort Donelson*.
Benj. F. James, Co. A, 8th Ill., killed at *Fort Donelson*.
Charles Smythe, Co. I 7th Ill. Cav.
Nathan Durfee, 4th Ohio.
Jacob Ellis,
Col. N. W. Tupper, 116th Ill.
Col. James F. Boyd,
Lieut. John S. Taylor Co. B, 116th Ill.
Wilson Nesbit, "
Henry Carter, "
Dr. Edward Lukens, "
Mr. Rineheart, "
Col. L. B. Smith, regiments unknown.
Norton Campbell, of a Wis. regiment.

There are many not named here who are known to friends living here, while there are others of whom no one seems to have any definite knowledge.

Finally, of the day and its exercises we may say, Decatur has never seen the like before. Her citizens have done themselves honor in honoring their dead, and the committees having the work of preparation in charge, did themselves great credit. Mayor *Chambers* and his associates on the executive committee have been most diligent and are entitled to the thanks of all.

The several ward committees also did excellent work, and were untiring in their efforts to make the arrangements complete. But in speaking of committees and their work, the schools should not be forgotten. *Prof. Gastman*, the corps of teachers and all the children were most diligent in the work of gathering flowers, and provided a bountiful supply for all purposes. For their faithful work in this direction they are entitled to the warmest commendations. *Ex-Mayor Forester* also has the thanks of the thirsty crowd for a liberal supply of ice water.

Our report of the proceedings would be incomplete should we fail to recognize the very appropriate feature of a military escort, and thank the gentlemen who constituted it for their efforts in that direction, and for their soldierly bearing in the part they took in the ceremonies of the day. The band of martial music under the direction of *Mr. Bartholomew*, was also a success, and its members are entitled to the highest compliments.

And first and last we deem it proper to recognize the hand of that kind Providence by whom the exercises of the day and all participating in them, were protected from accident or molestation of any kind.

The number present at the cemetery was variously estimated at from five to seven thousand.

Ashby is getting up some splendid upholstered furniture, far ahead of anything ever got up in town before. Give him a call. 13 d&wt

Excellent Root Beer, at May 27-d&wt *Culver & Wood's*

For Sale.—Forty acres in pasture, one half mile north of city limits, on Water street. Enquire at office of *Smith & Clokey*. 13 d&wt

Job Lot of black, pure Mohair Alpaca—elegant goods—at 50 cents; worth 75 cents, at *LINN & SCRUGGS*. April 7-d&wt

GRAND EXCURSION!

At Very Low Rates.

For land and pleasure seekers, over the line of the *Kansas Pacific Railway*. Will leave *Decatur, Ill.*, Tuesday, June 6th, at 11 o'clock, A. M., by way of *St. Louis* and *Kansas City*, the point of destination being *Ellis, Kansas*. For profit, as well as pleasure, this will be the grandest trip of the season. The *General Travelling Land Agent* of the *Kansas Pacific Railway Co.* will accompany this party from *Decatur, Ill.*, to *Ellis, Kansas*, and see to it that the welfare of the party is cared for. For full particulars, call on or address *OVERMIRE & KAUFMAN*, Real Estate and Loan Agents, over *Decatur National Bank*, *Decatur, Ill.* 30 d&wt

Correction.—In our notice of yesterday, referring to the new front in *Curtis & Rightor's* store, we omitted all mention of the painting, which is much admired by all who have seen it. This portion of the work was executed by *James Turner*, one of *Decatur's* best painters.

Church Dedication.—The *Union Church*, recently erected near *Ruddock's* Cemetery, will be dedicated on Sunday, June 18th. Services to commence at 11 o'clock, A. M.

400 Pieces Hamburg Edgings, new patterns, and very cheap, at *LINN & SCRUGGS*. May 19 d&wt

E. B. Pratt & Son's, No. 37 North Church street, is the place to get your groceries, glass and queensware. Constantly on hand fresh bread, cakes, butter, canned and fresh fruits, garden vegetables, etc., etc. May 17-d&wt

The ladies will find it profitable by trading at *Goldburg's*. In the line of *Furnishing Goods*, *Notions*, etc., he keeps the largest stock, and at lower prices than at any other place. Give him a call. 20 d&wtw

L. L. Ferriss is selling the very best quality of boots and shoes, and warrants every pair. His prices are lower than any other store in the city. Now opening about fifty cases per week of new spring goods. markd&wt

Catholic Fair and Festival.—The Catholic fair and supper will come off May 30th, 31st and June 1st, at the opera house. Everything is prepared in the finest and best style. The supper will be a "square meal," seasoned with the delicacies of the season, served up from 5 to 11 o'clock each evening, for the small sum of 25 cents. Children's dresses, dresses for young ladies, useful dresses and fashionable dresses, for the price of the material in them.

The refreshments will be luxurious and abundant, and prepared fresh each evening. Strawberries and other delicacies every night. 25 d&wt

Youths' Boys' and Children's clothing, in large varieties, new styles, in patterns and make-up, at B. STINE'S. 28 d&wt

The celebrated *Springfield Indigo Blue Jeans* Pants, the finest in the world, for sale at B. STINE'S. 28 d&wt

V. Barber & Co. are still increasing their stock of spring goods, and in the boot and shoe line a finer assortment cannot be found in the state elsewhere. They are determined to be up with the times both in the quality and extent of stock, and in prices as well. Call and see them.

Whitewashing and Paper-Hanging.—Orders left with *Mr. W. Cummings*, one door north of *Priest's* Hotel, will receive prompt attention. DAWSON & BARNETT. May 25 d&wt

The office of the *Howe Sewing Machine* is at *Keebler's*, No. 13, East Main street. W. A. CARRILL, Ag't. Apr 15-w&d c&w

Canopy Parasols.—A beautiful line of *Canopy Parasols* with lace edge, very cheap, at S. ERNSTEIN'S. 20 d&wt

For Sale—A good team of mules, with harness and wagon—on time, if desired. D. A. MAYFIT. 11 d&wt

A splendid Desk and Book-case for an office, for sale cheap, at *ASHBY'S*. May 19 d&wt

Wanted, to find a place for \$1,000 for five years. Apply to J. E. KINNEY. May 27-d&wt

Mrs. Moody's Abdominal Corset, *Madam Foy's* Supporter Corset, the *Duplex Hip-Fitting Corset*, the *Champion* and *Grand Duchess Corset*—French and American styles, at lower prices than any other house in the city, at May 2 d&wtw *GOLDBURG'S*

The Latest Novelties in hats and caps, just received, at B. STINE'S. 28 d&wt

Great Bargains in Jewelry at *J. L. Knieper's*, 24 Merchant street. Feb. 7-d&wtw

Linn & Scruggs have just received all numbers of *Madame Foy's* skirt supporting corset, *Mrs. S. A. Moody's* abdominal corset, and the *Jacqueline* corset. Also, a complete assortment of *Glove-Fitting* and *French* corsets, of superior makes, and at the lowest prices. 21-d&wtw

Mme. Demore's Spring Patterns just opened, at *LINN & SCRUGGS* for 14-d&wt

Parasols, Fans, Notions and Fancy Goods—a good stock, at low prices, at *Goldburg's*. H. W. DAVIS, Decatur, Ill. Feb. 15-d&wtw

CIRCUIT COURT.

May Term.

TUESDAY, MAY 30.

Court convened at 8 o'clock, A. M.

After sundry motions, the following cases were disposed of:

CHANCERY DOCKET.

John Clark, administrator, vs. *Margaret B. Clark* et al; chancery. Bill dismissed.

Frederick W. Miller vs. *David H. Williams* et al; chancery. Report of commissioners approved.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Portsmouth Agricultural Works vs. *Henry Churchman* et al; trespass. Trial by court. Judgment for defendants, *Churchman* and *Aiken*; damages, \$200.

David Zollar vs. *Frederick Aboltz*, ejectment. Trial by court; decision reversed.

William House, use of *A. T. Rusley* et al; trial by jury, pending which court adjourned to 8 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Free Water.—To-day workmen are digging a trench for the purpose of laying water pipe from the large main to the point now occupied by the public pumps on the old square, for the purpose of making a public watering place, both for horses and people. The pumps are to be removed and the well properly secured, to be used as a receptacle for waste water. A large trough is to be placed in position, into which water from the public works will be kept constantly running, while the waste is conducted into the old well. The plug will be furnished, with dippers, and the trough arranged so that several teams can drink at once. A similar arrangement is to be made at the new square.

This is a very desirable movement, and will be a great accommodation to the public.

PERSONAL MENTION.

A. Milt. Lapham returned last night from a week's trip to *Kansas*, where he has been to "spy out the land." He took in *Fort Scott* in his perambulations, and has given us one of the trophies of his expedition, in the shape of a bill of fare from a hotel in that place, which closes a long list of indigestible dishes with "castor oil"—a dose of which would certainly be needed by any one who dined off the aforesaid bill of fare.

WANTED!

Three or four good active men to solicit fire insurance and sell school and church furniture through central Illinois. Apply at once to OVERMIRE & KAUFMAN, Over *Decatur National Bank*. 31 d&wt

Fair and Festival.—The ladies of the *Catholic Church* will hold a fair and festival at the opera house, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, May 30th and 31st, and June 1st.—Among the novelties to be disposed of will be a magnificent silver lamp, suitable for a railroad conductor, which will be voted to the most popular conductor. The contestant will be *Mr. Harvey Cramer*, of the *Peoria Division*, T. & W. & W. H. Bell, *St. Louis Division*, T. & W. H. Morgan, *Main Line*, T. & W. & W. and *Joseph Dill*, of the *Illinois Midland Road*. May 25 d&wt

Found.—On Monday, May 29th, near the court house, a pocket book containing a small sum of money and some papers, which the owner can have by calling at this office and paying for this advertisement. 30 d&wt

DIED.

At his late residence, near *Argenta*, May 6th, of consumption, *RICHARD HENRY LUKENS*, son of the late *Aaron Lukens*.

Kid Gloves, *Parasols*, *Fans* and *Ties*—very cheap—at *GOLDBURG'S*. May 23-d&wtw

International Exhibition for 1876.—Official Catalogue, complete, in one volume. Price, \$1.50. For sale by *J. M. SPOCKEY & Co.* May 20-d&wtw

Ashby has the latest patterns of *Window Shades* and *carpets*. Call and see. May 19 d&wt

Apples, *beans*, *stone-ware* and *flour*, at *Kinney's* warehouse. 11 d&wt

Window Shades and *Fixtures*, at May 20-d&wt *ASHBY'S*

Strawberries and *cream*, at *Culver & Wood's*, Merchant street. 17 d&wt

Is your eyesight failing?—Try the *Reading Glasses* for

